EAB/FS

## Decision No. 91350 FEB 13 1980

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of Western Motor ) Tariff Bureau, Inc., Agent, under ) Shortened Procedure Tariff Docket ) to publish for and on behalf of ) Associated Freight Lines, provi- ) sions resulting in increases ) Because of the proposed exception ) to Rule 360, Section 1(f), of ) NMF 100-F.

Shortened Procedure Tariff Docket Application No. 59314 (Filed December 3, 1979)

MRIGI

## OPINION AND ORDER

By this application, Western Motor Tariff Bureau, Inc., Agent, (WMTB) seeks authority on behalf of Associated Freight Lines (Associated) to publish an exception to Item 360, Section 1(f) of National Motor Freight Classification 100-F in WMTB's Local, Joint and Proportional Freight and Express Tariff No. 111, Cal. P.U.C. No. 15. The exception will provide for a charge of \$3.00 for the issuance of extra copies of documents, subsequent to the issuance of the bill of lading, in lieu of the current charge of \$1.00 for such service.

Applicant states that it has been informed by Associated that it has approximately 25 shipments per week on which the payer of the freight charges requires or requests, as a prerequisite to payment, additional copies of one kind of document or another. Applicant indicates that Associated believes that the current charge of \$1.00 is less than adequate even when it knows in advance that the payer of freight charges will require additional copies of documents. However, when the carrier has no advance knowledge of the payer's requirements, the expenses are compounded.

Applicant alleges that the \$3.00 charge is not intended as a revenue producing charge but as a method whereby Associated may offset some of its additional costs caused by the issuance of extra copies of documents.

-1-

## SPT - A. 59314 - FS

Applicant has been advised by Associated that granting of the proposal herein will increase its gross California intrastate revenue by approximately \$2,600 annually. This amount would not increase Associated's California intrastate revenue by as much as one percent. The increase is within the President's wage-price guidelines.

The application was listed on the Commission's Daily Calendar of December 4, 1979. No objection to the granting of the application has been received.

In the circumstances, the Commission finds that the proposed changes are justified. A public hearing is not necessary. The Commission concludes that the application should be granted as set forth in the ensuing order, and the effective date of this order should be the date hereof because there is an immediate need for this rate relief.

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. Western Motor Tariff Bureau, Inc., Agent, on behalf of Associated Freight Lines, is hereby authorized to publish in its Local, Joint and Proportional Freight and Express Tariff No. 111, Cal. P.U.C. No. 15, the amendments as set forth in its application.

2. Tariff publications authorized to be made as a result of the order herein shall be filed not earlier than the effective date of this order and may be made effective not earlier than five days after the effective date of this order on not less than five days' notice to the Commission and to the public.

## SPT - A. 59314 - FS-

3. The authority granted herein shall expire unless exercised within ninety days after the effective date of this order.

The effective date of this order is the date hereof. Dated \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, at San Francisco, California.

Commissioners

Commissioner Leonard M. Grimes, Jr., being necessarily absent, did not